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March 29, 2013

Jerry Sue Thornton, PhD  
President  
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Dear Dr. Thornton:

This letter is formal notification of the action taken by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission at its meeting on March 7-8, 2013. The Board of Commissioners voted to deny continuing accreditation to the associate nursing program. This decision is based on the NLNAC policy that continuing accreditation is denied to programs with conditions status that are found to be in continued non-compliance with any Accreditation Standard based on the evidence presented in the Follow-Up Report submitted by the nursing program. The details of the decision put forth by the Commission have been sent to the program's nurse administrator.

The program has the right to forward comments regarding the Commission decision to NLNAC by April 30, 2013. NLNAC will forward to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education any comments submitted by the nursing program.

An educational program that has been denied continuing accreditation status may appeal the decision within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice of such denial by filing a written notice of appeal via hand delivery or certified or registered mail on or before April 30, 2013. The notice of appeal shall be sent by the Chief Executive Officer of the appellant institution to the NLNAC Chief Executive Officer. The notice of intent to appeal fee of \$1,250.00 shall accompany the written notice of the appeal. The appeal fee of \$10,000.00 shall be paid prior to scheduling the hearing.

If you have questions about this action or about NLNAC policies and procedures, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Sharon J. Tanner, EdD, RN  
Chief Executive Officer

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